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To authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain aliens who are long-term United States residents and who entered the United States as children, and for other purposes.

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Mr. RIVERA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Armed Services, and Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain aliens who are long-term United States residents and who entered the United States as children, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as—
- 5 (1) the "Adjusted Residency for Military Serv-
- 6 ice Act"; or
- 7 (2) the "ARMS Act".

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3	SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.
4	In this Act:
5	(1) In general.—Except as otherwise specifi-
6	cally provided, a term used in this Act that is used
7	in the immigration laws shall have the meaning
8	given such term in the immigration laws.
9	(2) Conditional nonimmigrant.—
10	(A) DEFINITION.—The term "conditional
11	nonimmigrant" means an alien who is granted
12	conditional nonimmigrant status under this Act.
13	(B) Description.—A conditional non-
14	immigrant—
15	(i) shall be considered to be an alien
16	within a nonimmigrant class for purposes
17	of the immigration laws;

1	(ii) may have the intention perma-
2	nently to reside in the United States; and
3	(iii) is not required to have a foreign
4	residence which the alien has no intention
5	of abandoning.
6	(3) Immigration laws.—The term "immigra-
7	tion laws" has the meaning given such term in sec-
8	tion 101(a)(17) of the Immigration and Nationality
9	Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(17)).
10	(4) Institution of higher education.—The
11	term "institution of higher education" has the
12	meaning given such term in section 102 of the High-
13	er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002), except
14	that the term does not include an institution of high-
15	er education outside the United States.
16	(5) Military-related terms.—The terms
17	"armed forces", "active duty", "active service", and
18	"active status" have the meanings given those terms
19	in section 101 of title 10, United States Code.
20	SEC. 4. CANCELLATION OF REMOVAL OF CERTAIN LONG-
21	TERM RESIDENTS WHO ENTERED THE
22	UNITED STATES AS CHILDREN.
23	(a) Special Rule for Certain Long-Term Resi-
24	DENTS WHO ENTERED THE UNITED STATES AS CHIL-
25	DREN.—

1	(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
2	provision of law and except as otherwise provided in
3	this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security may
4	cancel removal of an alien who is inadmissible or de-
5	portable from the United States, and grant the alien
6	conditional nonimmigrant status, if the alien dem-
7	onstrates by a preponderance of the evidence that—
8	(A) the alien has been physically present in
9	the United States for a continuous period of
10	not less than 5 years immediately preceding the
11	date of the enactment of this Act and was
12	younger than 16 years of age on the date the
13	alien initially entered the United States;
14	(B) the alien has been a person of good
15	moral character since the date the alien initially
16	entered the United States;
17	(C) subject to paragraph (2), the alien—
18	(i) is not inadmissible under para-
19	graph (1), (2), (3), (4), (6)(E), (6)(G), (8),
20	(10)(A), $(10)(C)$, or $(10)(D)$ of section
21	212(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
22	Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a));
23	(ii) is not deportable under paragraph
24	(1)(E), (1)(G), (2), (4), (5), or (6) of sec-

1	tion 237(a) of the Immigration and Na-
2	tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1227(a));
3	(iii) has not ordered, incited, assisted,
4	or otherwise participated in the persecution
5	of any person on account of race, religion,
6	nationality, membership in a particular so-
7	cial group, or political opinion; and
8	(iv) has not been convicted of—
9	(I) any offense under Federal or
10	State law punishable by a maximum
11	term of imprisonment of more than 1
12	year; or
13	(II) 3 or more offenses under
14	Federal or State law, for which the
15	alien was convicted on different dates
16	for each of the 3 offenses and sen-
17	tenced to imprisonment for an aggre-
18	gate of 90 days or more;
19	(D) the alien—
20	(i) has been admitted to an institution
21	of higher education in the United States;
22	or
23	(ii) has earned a high school diploma
24	or obtained a general education develop-
25	ment certificate in the United States;

1	(E) the alien has never been under a final
2	administrative or judicial order of exclusion, de-
3	portation, or removal, unless the alien—
4	(i) has remained in the United States
5	under color of law after such order was
6	issued; or
7	(ii) received the order before attaining
8	the age of 16 years; and
9	(F) the alien was younger than 30 years of
10	age on the date of the enactment of this Act.
11	(2) Waiver.—With respect to any benefit
12	under this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security
13	may waive the ground of inadmissibility under para-
14	graph (1), (4), or (6) of section 212(a) of the Immi-
15	gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)) and
16	the ground of deportability under paragraph (1) of
17	section 237(a) of that Act (8 U.S.C. 1227(a)) for
18	humanitarian purposes or family unity or when it is
19	otherwise in the public interest.
20	(3) Procedures.—The Secretary of Homeland
21	Security shall provide a procedure by regulation al-
22	lowing eligible individuals to apply affirmatively for
23	the relief available under this subsection without
24	being placed in removal proceedings.

- 1 (4) Surcharge.—The Secretary of Homeland 2 Security shall charge and collect a surcharge of 3 \$525 per application on all applications for relief under this subsection. Such surcharge shall be in ad-5 dition to the otherwise applicable application fee im-6 posed for the purpose of recovering the full costs of 7 providing adjudication and processing services. Not-8 withstanding any other provision of law, including 9 section 286 of the Immigration and Nationality Act 10 (8 U.S.C. 1356), any surcharge collected under this 11 paragraph shall be deposited as offsetting receipts in 12 the General Fund of the Treasury and shall not be 13 available for obligation or expenditure.
 - (5) DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION.—An alien shall submit an application for cancellation of removal and conditional nonimmigrant status under this subsection no later than the date that is 1 year after the later of—
 - (A) the date the alien earned a high school diploma or obtained a general education development certificate in the United States; or
 - (B) the effective date of the interim regulations under subsection (d).
- 24 (6) Submission of Biometric and Bio-25 Graphic Data.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-

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rity may not cancel the removal of an alien or grant conditional nonimmigrant status to the alien under this subsection unless the alien submits biometric and biographic data, in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary. The Secretary shall provide an alternative procedure for applicants who are unable to provide such biometric or biographic data because of a physical impairment.

(7) Background Checks.—

- (A) REQUIREMENT FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS.—The Secretary of Homeland Security shall utilize biometric, biographic, and other data that the Secretary determines is appropriate—
 - (i) to conduct security and law enforcement background checks of an alien seeking relief available under this subsection; and
 - (ii) to determine whether there is any criminal, national security, or other factor that would render the alien ineligible for such relief.
- (B) COMPLETION OF BACKGROUND CHECKS.—The security and law enforcement background checks required by subparagraph

- 1 (A) shall be completed, to the satisfaction of the 2 Secretary, prior to the date the Secretary can-3 cels the removal of the alien under this sub-4 section.
- 5 (8) Medical examination.—An alien applying 6 for relief available under this subsection shall under-7 go a medical observation and examination. The Sec-8 retary of Homeland Security, with the concurrence 9 of the Secretary of Health and Human Services, 10 shall prescribe policies and procedures for the nature 11 and timing of such observation and examination.
 - (9) MILITARY SELECTIVE SERVICE.—An alien applying for relief available under this subsection shall establish that the alien has registered under the Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 451 et seq.), if the alien is subject to such registration under that Act.
- 18 (b) Termination of Continuous Period.—For 19 purposes of this section, any period of continuous resi-20 dence or continuous physical presence in the United States 21 of an alien who applies for cancellation of removal under 22 subsection (a) shall not terminate when the alien is served 23 a notice to appear under section 239(a) of the Immigra-24 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1229(a)).

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- 1 (c) Treatment of Certain Breaks in Pres-2 ence.—
- 1) IN GENERAL.—An alien shall be considered to have failed to maintain continuous physical presence in the United States under subsection (a) if the alien has departed from the United States for any period in excess of 90 days or for any periods in the aggregate exceeding 180 days.
 - (2) Extensions for exceptional circumstances.—The Secretary of Homeland Security may extend the time periods described in paragraph (1) if the alien demonstrates that the failure to timely return to the United States was due to exceptional circumstances. The exceptional circumstances determined sufficient to justify an extension should be no less compelling than serious illness of the alien, or death or serious illness of a parent, grand-parent, sibling, or child.

(d) Regulations.—

- (1) Initial publication.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall publish regulations implementing this section.
- 24 (2) Interim regulations.—Notwithstanding 25 section 553 of title 5, United States Code, the regu-

- 1 lations required by paragraph (1) shall be effective,
- 2 on an interim basis, immediately upon publication
- 3 but may be subject to change and revision after pub-
- 4 lic notice and opportunity for a period of public com-
- 5 ment.
- 6 (3) Final regulations.—Within a reasonable
- 7 time after publication of the interim regulations in
- 8 accordance with paragraph (1), the Secretary of
- 9 Homeland Security shall publish final regulations
- implementing this section.
- 11 (e) Removal of Alien.—The Secretary of Home-
- 12 land Security may not remove any alien who—
- 13 (1) has a pending application for conditional
- 14 nonimmigrant status under this Act; and
- 15 (2) establishes prima facie eligibility for can-
- 16 cellation of removal and conditional nonimmigrant
- 17 status under subsection (a).
- 18 SEC. 5. CONDITIONAL NONIMMIGRANT STATUS.
- 19 (a) Length of Status.—Conditional nonimmigrant
- 20 status granted under section 4 shall be valid for an initial
- 21 period of 5 years, subject to termination under subsection
- 22 (c) of this section.
- 23 (b) Terms of Conditional Nonimmigrant Sta-
- 24 TUS.—

1	(1) Employment.—A conditional non-
2	immigrant shall be authorized—
3	(A) to be employed in the United States
4	incident to conditional nonimmigrant status;
5	and
6	(B) to enlist in the armed forces as pro-
7	vided in 504(b)(1)(D) of title 10, United States
8	Code, as added by section 12.
9	(2) Travel.—A conditional nonimmigrant may
10	travel outside the United States and may be admit-
11	ted (if otherwise admissible) upon return to the
12	United States without having to obtain a visa if—
13	(A) the alien is the bearer of valid, unex-
14	pired documentary evidence of conditional non-
15	immigrant status; and
16	(B) the alien's absence from the United
17	States was not for a period exceeding 180 days
18	or the alien was absent from the United States
19	due to active service in the armed forces.
20	(c) Termination of Status.—
21	(1) In General.—The Secretary of Homeland
22	Security shall terminate the conditional non-
23	immigrant status of any alien if the Secretary deter-
24	mines that the alien—

1	(A) failed to enlist, and be accepted for en-
2	listment, in the armed forces within 9 months
3	after the date on which the alien was granted
4	conditional nonimmigrant status;
5	(B) ceases to meet the requirements of
6	subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 4(a)(1);
7	(C) has become a public charge; or
8	(D) has received a dishonorable or other
9	than honorable discharge from the armed
10	forces.
11	(2) Return to previous immigration sta-
12	TUS.—Any alien whose conditional nonimmigrant
13	status is terminated under paragraph (1) shall re-
14	turn to the immigration status the alien had imme-
15	diately prior to receiving conditional nonimmigrant
16	status.
17	(d) Extension of Status.—
18	(1) Eligibility.—The Secretary of Homeland
19	Security shall extend the conditional nonimmigrant
20	status of an alien for a second period of 5 years if
21	the following requirements are met:
22	(A) The alien has demonstrated good
23	moral character during the entire period the
24	alien has been a conditional nonimmigrant.

1	(B) The alien is in compliance with section
2	4(a)(1)(C).
3	(C) The alien has not abandoned the
4	alien's residence in the United States. For pur-
5	poses of this subparagraph—
6	(i) the Secretary shall presume that
7	the alien has abandoned such residence if
8	the alien is absent from the United States
9	for more than 365 days, in the aggregate,
10	during the period of conditional non-
11	immigrant status, unless the alien dem-
12	onstrates that the alien has not abandoned
13	the alien's residence; and
14	(ii) an alien who is absent from the
15	United States due to active service in the
16	armed forces has not abandoned the alien's
17	residence in the United States during the
18	period of such service.
19	(D) The alien has served as a member of
20	a regular or reserve component of the armed
21	forces on active duty for at least 2 years or as
22	a member of a reserve component of the armed
23	forces in an active status for at least 4 years,
24	and, if discharged, received an honorable dis-

charge.

1 (2) Surcharge.—The Secretary of Homeland 2 Security shall charge and collect a surcharge of 3 \$2,000 per application on all applications for an extension under this subsection. Such surcharge shall 5 be in addition to the otherwise applicable application 6 fee imposed for the purpose of recovering the full 7 costs of providing adjudication and processing serv-8 ices. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in-9 cluding section 286 of the Immigration and Nation-10 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1356), any surcharge collected 11 under this paragraph shall be deposited as offsetting 12 receipts in the General Fund of the Treasury and 13 shall not be available for obligation or expenditure.

14 SEC. 6. ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.

- 15 (a) IN GENERAL.—A conditional nonimmigrant may
 16 file with the Secretary of Homeland Security, in accord17 ance with subsection (c), an application to have the alien's
 18 status adjusted to that of an alien lawfully admitted for
 19 permanent residence. The application shall provide, under
 20 penalty of perjury, the facts and information so that the
 21 Secretary may make the determination described in para-
- 23 (b) Adjudication of Application for Adjust-
- 24 MENT OF STATUS.—

graph (b)(1).

- (1) IN GENERAL.—If an application is filed in accordance with subsection (a) for an alien, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall make a determination as to whether the alien meets the requirements set out in paragraphs (1) through (4) of subsection (d).
 - (2) Adjustment of status if favorable determines.—If the Secretary determines that the alien meets such requirements, the Secretary shall notify the alien of such determination and adjust the alien's status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence, effective as of the date of approval of the application.
 - (3) TERMINATION IF ADVERSE DETERMINATION.—If the Secretary determines that the alien does not meet such requirements, the Secretary shall notify the alien of such determination and terminate the conditional nonimmigrant status of the alien as of the date of the determination.

(c) TIME TO FILE APPLICATION.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—An alien shall file an application for adjustment of status during the period—
- 23 (A) beginning on the date on which the 24 alien obtained an extension of status under sec-25 tion 5(d); and

1	(B) ending on either the date that is 10
2	years after the date of the initial grant of con-
3	ditional nonimmigrant status or any other expi-
4	ration date of the conditional nonimmigrant
5	status as extended by the Secretary of Home-
6	land Security in accordance with this Act.
7	(2) Status during pendency.—The alien
8	shall be deemed to be in conditional nonimmigrant
9	status in the United States during the period in
10	which such application is pending.
11	(d) Contents of Application.—Each application
12	for an alien under subsection (a) shall contain information
13	to permit the Secretary of Homeland Security to deter-
14	mine whether each of the following requirements is met:
15	(1) The alien has demonstrated good moral
16	character during the entire period the alien has been
17	a conditional nonimmigrant.
18	(2) The alien is in compliance with section
19	4(a)(1)(C).
20	(3) The alien has not abandoned the alien's res-
21	idence in the United States. For purposes of this
22	paragraph—
23	(A) the Secretary shall presume that the
24	alien has abandoned such residence if the alien
25	is absent from the United States for more than

1 730 days, in the aggregate, during the period of 2 conditional nonimmigrant status, unless the 3 alien demonstrates that the alien has not aban-4 doned the alien's residence; and

(B) an alien who is absent from the United States due to active service in the armed forces has not abandoned the alien's residence in the United States during the period of such service.

(e) CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENT.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the status of a conditional nonimmigrant shall not be adjusted to permanent resident status unless the alien demonstrates that the alien satisfies the requirements of section 312(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1423(a)).
- (2) EXCEPTION.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to an alien who is unable because of a physical or developmental disability or mental impairment to meet the requirements of such paragraph.

(f) Payment of Federal Taxes.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the date on which an application is filed under subsection (a) for adjustment of status, the alien shall satisfy any applicable Federal tax liability due and owing on such date.

1	(2) Applicable federal tax liability.—
2	For purposes of paragraph (1), the term "applicable
3	Federal tax liability" means liability for Federal
4	taxes imposed under the Internal Revenue Code of
5	1986, including any penalties and interest thereon.
6	(g) Submission of Biometric and Biographic
7	DATA.—The Secretary of Homeland Security may not ad-
8	just the status of an alien under this section unless the
9	alien submits biometric and biographic data, in accordance
10	with procedures established by the Secretary. The Sec-
11	retary shall provide an alternative procedure for applicants
12	who are unable to provide such biometric or biographic
13	data because of a physical impairment.
14	(h) Background Checks.—
15	(1) Requirement for background
16	CHECKS.—The Secretary of Homeland Security shall
17	utilize biometric, biographic, and other data that the
18	Secretary determines appropriate—
19	(A) to conduct security and law enforce-
20	ment background checks of an alien applying
21	for adjustment of status under this section; and
22	(B) to determine whether there is any
23	criminal, national security, or other factor that
24	would render the alien ineligible for such ad-
25	justment of status.

- 1 (2) Completion of Background Checks.—
- 2 The security and law enforcement background
- 3 checks required by paragraph (1) shall be completed,
- 4 to the satisfaction of the Secretary, prior to the date
- 5 the Secretary grants adjustment of status.
- 6 (i) Exemption From Numerical Limitations.—
- 7 Nothing in this section or in any other law may be con-
- 8 strued to apply a numerical limitation on the number of
- 9 aliens who may be eligible for adjustment of status under
- 10 this section.
- 11 (j) Eligibility for Naturalization.—An alien
- 12 whose status is adjusted under this section to that of an
- 13 alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence may be
- 14 naturalized upon compliance with all the requirements of
- 15 the immigration laws except the provisions of paragraph
- 16 (1) of section 316(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
- 17 Act (8 U.S.C. 1427(a)), if such person immediately pre-
- 18 ceding the date of filing the application for naturalization
- 19 has resided continuously, after being lawfully admitted for
- 20 permanent residence, within the United States for at least
- 21 3 years, and has been physically present in the United
- 22 States for periods totaling at least half of that time and
- 23 has resided within the State or the district of U.S. Citizen-
- 24 ship and Immigration Services in the United States in
- 25 which the applicant filed the application for at least 3

- 1 months. An alien described in this subsection may file the
- 2 application for naturalization as provided in the second
- 3 sentence of subsection (a) of section 334 of the Immigra-
- 4 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1445).
- 5 SEC. 7. TREATMENT OF ALIENS MEETING REQUIREMENTS
- 6 FOR EXTENSION OF CONDITIONAL NON-
- 7 IMMIGRANT STATUS.
- 8 If, on the date of the enactment of this Act, an alien
- 9 has satisfied all the requirements of section 4(a)(1) and
- 10 section 5(d)(1)(D), the Secretary of Homeland Security
- 11 may cancel removal and grant conditional nonimmigrant
- 12 status in accordance with section 4, and may extend condi-
- 13 tional nonimmigrant status in accordance with section
- 14 5(d). The alien may apply for adjustment of status in ac-
- 15 cordance with section 6(a) if the alien has met the require-
- 16 ments of subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of section
- $17 ext{ } 5(d)(1)$ during the entire period of conditional non-
- 18 immigrant status.
- 19 SEC. 8. EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION.
- The Secretary of Homeland Security shall have exclu-
- 21 sive jurisdiction to determine eligibility for relief under
- 22 this Act, except where the alien has been placed into de-
- 23 portation, exclusion, or removal proceedings either prior
- 24 to or after filing an application for cancellation of removal
- 25 and conditional nonimmigrant status or adjustment of sta-

- 1 tus under this Act, in which case the Attorney General
- 2 shall have exclusive jurisdiction and shall assume all the
- 3 powers and duties of the Secretary until proceedings are
- 4 terminated, or if a final order of deportation, exclusion,
- 5 or removal is entered the Secretary shall resume all powers
- 6 and duties delegated to the Secretary under this Act. If
- 7 the Secretary grants relief under this Act, the final order
- 8 of deportation, exclusion, or removal shall be terminated.

9 SEC. 9. PENALTIES FOR FALSE STATEMENTS.

- Whoever files an application for any benefit under
- 11 this Act and willfully and knowingly falsifies, misrepre-
- 12 sents, or conceals a material fact or makes any false or
- 13 fraudulent statement or representation, or makes or uses
- 14 any false writing or document knowing the same to con-
- 15 tain any false or fraudulent statement or entry, shall be
- 16 fined in accordance with title 18, United States Code, im-
- 17 prisoned not more than 5 years, or both.

18 SEC. 10. CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION.

- 19 (a) Prohibition.—Except as provided in subsection
- 20 (b), no officer or employee of the United States may—
- 21 (1) use the information furnished by an indi-
- vidual pursuant to an application filed under this
- Act to initiate removal proceedings against any per-
- son identified in the application;

- 1 (2) make any publication whereby the informa-2 tion furnished by any particular individual pursuant 3 to an application under this Act can be identified; or
- (3) permit anyone other than an officer or employee of the United States Government or, in the case of an application filed under this Act with a designated entity, that designated entity, to examine such application filed under this Act.
- 9 (b) REQUIRED DISCLOSURE.—The Attorney General 10 or the Secretary of Homeland Security shall provide the 11 information furnished under this Act, and any other infor-12 mation derived from such furnished information, to—
 - (1) a Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency, intelligence agency, national security agency, component of the Department of Homeland Security, court, or grand jury in connection with a criminal investigation or prosecution, a background check conducted pursuant to the Brady Handgun Violence Protection Act (Public Law 103–159; 107 Stat. 1536) or an amendment made by that Act, or for homeland security or national security purposes, if such information is requested by such entity or consistent with an information sharing agreement or mechanism; or

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1	(2) an official coroner for purposes of affirma-
2	tively identifying a deceased individual (whether or
3	not such individual is deceased as a result of a
4	crime).
5	(c) Fraud in Application Process or Criminal
6	CONDUCT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this
7	section, information concerning whether an alien seeking
8	relief under this Act has engaged in fraud in an applica-
9	tion for such relief or at any time committed a crime may
10	be used or released for immigration enforcement, law en-
11	forcement, or national security purposes.
12	(d) Penalty.—Whoever knowingly uses, publishes,
13	or permits information to be examined in violation of this
14	section shall be fined not more than \$10,000.
15	SEC. 11. TREATMENT OF CONDITIONAL NONIMMIGRANTS
16	FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.
17	(a) In General.—An individual granted conditional
	(a) IN GENERAL.—All marvidual granted conditional
18	nonimmigrant status under this Act shall, while such indi-
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	nonimmigrant status under this Act shall, while such indi-
19	nonimmigrant status under this Act shall, while such individual remains in such status, be considered lawfully
19 20	nonimmigrant status under this Act shall, while such individual remains in such status, be considered lawfully present for all purposes except—
19 20 21	nonimmigrant status under this Act shall, while such individual remains in such status, be considered lawfully present for all purposes except— (1) section 36B of the Internal Revenue Code

- 1 (2) section 1402 of the Patient Protection and
- 2 Affordable Care Act (concerning reduced cost shar-
- 3 ing; 42 U.S.C. 18071).
- 4 (b) For Purposes of the 5-Year Eligibility
- 5 WAITING PERIOD UNDER PRWORA.—An individual who
- 6 has met the requirements under this Act for adjustment
- 7 from conditional nonimmigrant status to lawful perma-
- 8 nent resident status shall be considered, as of the date
- 9 of such adjustment, to have completed the 5-year period
- 10 specified in section 403 of the Personal Responsibility and
- 11 Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C.
- 12 1613).
- 13 SEC. 12. MILITARY ENLISTMENT.
- Section 504(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is
- 15 amended by adding at the end the following new subpara-
- 16 graph:
- 17 "(D) An alien who is a conditional non-
- immigrant (as that term is defined in section 3 of
- the Adjusted Residency for Military Service Act).".
- 20 SEC. 13. GAO REPORT.
- Not later than 7 years after the date of the enact-
- 22 ment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United
- 23 States shall submit to the Committee on the Judiciary of
- 24 the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the
- 25 House of Representatives a report setting forth—

1	(1) the number of aliens who were eligible for
2	cancellation of removal and grant of conditional non-
3	immigrant status under section 4(a);
4	(2) the number of aliens who applied for can-
5	cellation of removal and grant of conditional non-
6	immigrant status under section 4(a);
7	(3) the number of aliens who were granted con-
8	ditional nonimmigrant status under section 4(a);

(4) the number of aliens whose status was adjusted to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence under section 6.

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